

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1438
QUESTIONS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

TUESDAY 5 MARCH 2013

The Scottish Government—

- The Committee draws your attention to the written evidence received by this Committee regarding the concerns raised about child and adolescent mental health services and to the discussion at the meeting (*Official Report, cols. 1172 - 1174*). What is your response to the concerns raised about CAMHS?
- What action is the Scottish Government taking to improve access and reduce waiting times for children and adolescents?
- To what extent is progress being made to improve access and reduce waiting times for CAMHS?
- Please would you provide clarification on the HEAT target waiting times for children and adolescents, adults and older people for specialist mental health services? Please set out why the targets might differ by age group.
- How does the Scottish Government monitor the HEAT targets for referral and treatment of specialist CAMHS and ensure that best practice is shared across NHS boards?
- How does the Scottish Government ensure that inconsistent levels of service between NHS board areas are tackled?
- What progress is being made to improve access to psychological therapies across NHS boards?

TUESDAY 22 JANUARY 2013

British Medical Association—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?
- What guidelines are available for GP's in relation to dealing with patients who present with what may be a mental illness?

Recovery Across Mental Health—

Glasgow Association for Mental Health—

NHS Fife –

NHS Borders—

NHS Lothian—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?

TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2012

The Scottish Government—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?
- The petitioner made the point that mental health should feature more heavily in social education taught in schools to ensure pupils are given the correct facts which could help prevent misconceptions. The Committee is interested to hear how information on mental health could be included as part of the curriculum for excellence?

British Medical Association—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?
- What guidelines are available for GP's in relation to dealing with patients who present with what may be a mental illness?

Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?
- In relation to mental health services are you able to tell the Committee how many Third Sector providers are there?

Scottish Association for Mental Health—

Recovery Across Mental Health—

Glasgow Association for Mental Health—

Scottish Recovery Network –

Royal College of Psychiatrists—

Penumbra—

NHS Fife –

NHS Borders—

NHS Lothian—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?